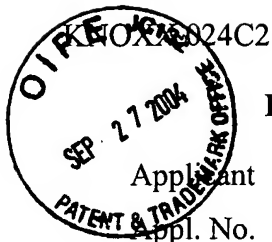


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 23, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the following amendments and comments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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